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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Markus SCHMITZ

Appl. No. 10/602,611

Filed: June 25, 2003

For: SEPARATING DEVICE FOR A
TEXTILE PROCESSING
MACHINE

Art Unit: 3765

Examiner: Gary L. WELCH

Atty.Dkt. No.32368-189121 RK

Customer No.

26694

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated March 5, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- **Request for Extension of Time and/or Charge of fees** begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.
- **Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 5 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND/OR CHARGE OF FEES

The Applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §

1.136(a). The applicant hereby authorizes the fee to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 22-0261.